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Agenda
Mass Cultural Council
Programs Committee Meeting
Thursday, August 13, 2026

1:00 – 2:30 PM

Broadcast Meeting

The meeting will be livestreamed on
[Mass Cultural Council's YouTube channel](#)

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"August 13, 2026, Programs Committee Meeting"
on Mass Cultural Council's website

Agenda Items

1. Call to Order – Open Meeting Law Notice

2. Minutes

Vote

- 2a. Minutes of the Meeting Mass Cultural Council Programs Committee –
June 17, 2026

3. Reports - FY27 Grants and Program Plan

4. Acting Executive Director Report

- 4a. Conflict of Interest Notifications

FY27 Grant and Program Recommendations

Vote

5. Partnership & Service Grants

- 5a. Mass Humanities
5b. New England Foundation for the Arts (NEFA)
5c. MASSCreative
5d. Massachusetts Poet Laureate
5e. Legislative Mandates (Appendix A)

6. Organizations

- 6a. Unrestricted Operating Support for Organizations (Appendix B & Appendix C)

7. Communities

- 7a. Cultural District Investment Grants (Appendix D)
- 7b. Local Cultural Councils (Appendix E)
- 7c. Tribal Cultural Councils

8. Arts Education & Youth

- 8a. YouthReach (Appendix F and G)
- 8b. Creative Youth Development and Education Grants

9. Equity and Inclusion

- 9a. Creative Experiences (Appendix H)
- 9b. UP Innovation Fund Grants (Appendix I)
- 9c. Equity, Inclusion, and Access Grants

10. Adjourn